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ADVOCATE FOR VICTIMS' RIGHTS RECEIVES AWARD

Monroe County Executive Jack Doyle today announced that Peggy Delorey, Monroe County STOP DWI Program Specialist, received the Dawn Chase Memorial Award from the Western New York Coalition for Crime Victims for her dedication to crime victims, her commitment to family and her contributions to the Coalition.

"Monroe County is privileged to have such a committed and outstanding victim advocate working tirelessly to reduce the incidence of drunken driving in our community," said Doyle. "No one should endure the pain that DWI crashes inflect on people's lives like Peggy has. Luckily for us, Peggy channeled that pain into energy and dedicated herself to helping victims, and educating children, adults and even the news media about the repercussions of drinking and driving."

Eva Salinas, victim/witness coordinator, Town of Greece Police Department, nominated Delorey for the award which was presented in May 2001 at a Coalition meeting.

Delorey is past president of MADD Monroe County. As STOP DWI program specialist Delorey lobbies for better DWI laws, works with the District Attorney's Office to handle DWI cases more efficiently and is a member of numerous committees that relate to DWI. In addition, she implemented the idea to create a crime victims' memorial site in Highland Park so victims, their loved ones and the general public has a place to visit and find solace.

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